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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

St. John's, October, 1975

TO THE HONOURABLE GORDON A. WINTER
Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador

May it please your Honour:

I have the honour to present the Annual Report of the Newfoundland Medical Care Commission for the year ended 31 March, 1975.

Your obedient servant,

HAROLD A. COLLINS
Minister of Health

NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

St. John's, October, 1975

TO THE HONOURABLE HAROLD A. COLLINS
Minister of Health

Honourable Sir:

I am pleased to present the Annual Report of the Newfoundland Medical Care Commission for the year ended 31 March, 1975.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNE J. SOMERS, B.Comm., C.A.
Chairman

MEMBERS NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION 31 MARCH 1975

Chairman	V. J. Somers St. John's
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	H. B. Morgan, Q.C. St. John's
	Mrs. Ford Neal Corner Brook
	N. Ralph St. John's
	H. R. Steele Gander
Ex-officio members	Deputy Minister Department of Health
	Executive Director

SENIOR COMMISSION PERSONNEL 31 MARCH 1975

Executive Director	R. C. Moores
Medical Director	Dr. T. A. Knowling
Comptroller	E. H. Hodder
Manager, Processing & Systems	R. O. Peddigrew
Assistant to Executive Director	Vacant
Assistant to Medical Director	G. Attwood
Supervisor, Assessment	E. Shute
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Supervisor, Public Services & Audits	K. F. Dormody

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HIGHLIGHTS OF 1974-75 REPORT

- Average gross payment to full-time physicians was $66,452. The estimated overhead (i.e. costs of operating a practice) was one-third of gross payments, so that average net professional income was $44,300.

- Volume of services paid increased 17.5 per cent over 1973-74 to 2,049,400.

- Total payments for insured services increased by 15 per cent over 1973-74 to $23,235,489.

- Contribution from Government of Canada was 77.8 per cent of insured service cost.

- 143 physicians commenced practice, 74 physicians retired or left the province for a net gain of 69 (13.6 per cent).

- Administrative costs ($1,019,996) were 4.2% of total program costs.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE INSURANCE PLAN

introduction

The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Plan (MCP), in co-operation with the Government of Canada, provides coverage of medical services for all bona-fide residents of the province. The plan is administered by the Newfoundland Medical Care Commission, appointed in accordance with Section 4 of the Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act, Chapter 265 of The Revised Statutes of Newfoundland, 1970 and the Commission is responsible to the Minister of Health.

The Medical Care Insurance Fund, authorized under Section 29 of the Act, is financed by contributions from the Government of Canada and monies voted by the legislature of Newfoundland.

the plan

The legislative framework of the plan is set out in the Medical Care Insurance Act, amendments to that Act and its various regulations. The responsibility for the administration of the plan is vested in a Commission appointed by the provincial government. The contribution from the Government of Canada is based on fifty percent of the national per capita cost of insured services in Canada multiplied by the provincial population. The provincial government funds the Commission for the difference between the Government of Canada contribution and total (including administrative) costs.

Individuals have complete freedom of choice as to which physician they consult. Physicians, themselves, may be either participating or non-participating with respect to the plan. A participating status means that the doctor invoices MCP directly at agreed rates. However, when a physician is non-participating he retains the right to bill the patient directly and at rates which may be higher than the agreed rates. MCP reimburses the patient who will be obliged to find, from his own resources, the difference, if any, between the billed and the agreed rates. Similarly, when a patient is treated by a specialist to whom he has not been referred, MCP will pay at general practice rates and the patient is expected to pay the difference between general practice and specialist rates to the specialist. Medical services are mainly provided by salaried physicians in board operated and Cottage Hospitals.

Physicians' services included in the plan are set out in the Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance (Insured Services) Regulations. These include:

Visits in the office, hospital or home.
Care and treatment before, during and after operations, including anaesthesia.
Complete maternity care.
Eye examinations performed by a physician.
Specified surgical-dental procedures medically required to be performed in a hospital.

Not included in the plan are:

Services available to a resident under legislation covering Newfoundland Hospital Insurance, Workmen's Compensation, Department of Veteran's Affairs, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Canadian Armed Forces.
Transportation, mileage charges and ambulance charges.
Drugs and vaccines.
Eye glasses, hearing aids, surgical appliances, wheel chairs, crutches, artificial limbs, etc.
Advice given by a physician to a beneficiary by telephone.
Plastic or other surgery for cosmetic purposes.
The services of optometrists, chiropractors, podiatrists, osteopaths, physiotherapists, nurses or paramedical personnel.
The difference between general practice and specialist rates for non-referred visits to a specialist.

organization

Section 18 of the Act makes provision for a Commission responsible to the Minister of Health, and charges this Commission to 'be responsible to establish and administer a plan of medical care insurance for residents of Newfoundland'.

The Commission is comprised of not less than five voting members appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and two non-voting ex-officio members — the Deputy Minister of Health and the Executive Director of the Commission. The terms of office for Mr. H. B. Morgan, Q.C., Dr. N. J. Lush and Mrs. A. LeMoine expired on December 31, 1974. Mr. Morgan and Dr. Lush were reappointed for a further two years. Mrs. Ford Neal, Corner Brook was appointed for two years from 1 January 1975.

Twelve regular meetings were held during the year. In addition to these there were several meetings of various Commission sub-committees.

A new position of Machine Room Clerk was introduced. One position was upgraded and at year end applications for two others were pending. There were eleven resignations, seventeen promotions, eleven new appointments and seven transfers within the Commission. At year end the Commission staff complement was 56.

medical

Statistics

Statistical reports are indicated in Tables 1 to 9. The information includes the disposition of the medical care dollar by age of patient, by type of service, by specialist and gross income distributions. Earnings of physicians are indicated under three categories in order that comparisons can be made with similar data gathered in other provinces. Of particular interest are the following statistics:

(a) claims received from physicians increased 13.9% over the previous year.

(b) services paid increased by 305,300 or 17.5% over the previous year.

(c) Table 4 indicating range of services by number of fee-for-service patients.

(d) Table 5 indicating range of payments by number of fee-for-service patients.

(e) Table 8 indicating percentage of physicians in dollar categories for past four years.

(f) Table 9 indicating 576 physicians as at 31 December 1974. During the calendar year 1974, 143 new physicians registered with the Commission, whilst 74 discontinued services by retirement or leaving the province.

Legislation

(a) The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act was amended by Act No. 41 of 1974. Section 4 was amended to permit the Deputy Minister of Health (an ex-officio member) to designate any officer of the Department of Health to act in his stead at meetings of the Commission.
Section 29 was amended to clarify the financing of the Commission by the Government of Newfoundland.

(b) The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance (Physicians and Fees) Regulations were amended as follows:

(i) Amendment 2/74 — addition of new items to the Payment Schedule as from 1 July 1974.

(ii) Amendment 3/74 — Fee item "Specific Reassessment" redefined as from 1 October 1974.

(iii) Amendment 4/74 — amendment to Regulation 4 concerning payments to Residents and Internes and fee item "Psychotherapy" redefined as from 1 December 1974.

Committees

(i) Joint Liaison Committee — This committee, comprised of the Chairman and two voting members of the Commission with the President and two executive members of the Medical Association, discusses major policy and attempts to create effective liaison between the two parties. This committee met on three occasions during the year.

(ii) Advisory Committees — A valuable and essential part of the Commission's work is carried out through the Medical Advisory and Dental Advisory Committees. At regularly scheduled meetings the Medical Director receives recommendations concerning the settlement of difficult or contentious claims. Recommendations made at these meetings serve as an excellent liaison between

the Commission and the medical and dental professions. The harmonious and constructive relationships which exist are in great measure attributable to the excellent work of officials of these Committees and our Medical Director. Several meetings were held during the year and the Committees made recommendations on 47 claims.

(iii) Consultants' Committee — The function of this Committee is to review profiles of physicians' practices, elicit explanations of variations in patterns of practice and recommend necessary action to the Commission. This Committee is nominated by the Association but responsible to the Commission. The Committee has been active since its inception in March 1974 having developed a quality service formula to highlight irregular patterns of practice and reviewing profiles where indicated.

(iv) Payment Schedule Committee — This Committee is comprised of three representatives each from the Commission and the Medical Association. Its function is to constantly monitor the payment schedule, consider and recommend to the Commission minor changes and interpretations as presented through the Medical Association.

Review of Fee Schedules

At the request of the Newfoundland Medical Association negotiations for a revised Fee Schedule commenced during 1974. Following several meetings, it was agreed to implement a 12 percent increase to the existing schedule as from 1 April 1975 and a further 7.5 percent increase as from 1 April 1976. The estimated increased cost for 1975-76 was $2,000,000 and further details will appear in next year's report.

claims processing and registration

Processing

As has been the trend in previous years, volumes of processed items increased in the year ended March 31, 1975.

Following are comparative figures for the past three years:

	Year ended March 31		
	1973	**1974**	**1975**
CLAIMS (IN-PROVINCE)			
In process at start of year	5,200	6,300	7,800
Received from physicians	1,162,300	1,305,100	1,486,500
% Increase over previous year	9.3	12.3	13.9
Returned to physicians	34,900	42,700	54,900
Claims paid	1,126,300	1,260,900	1,432,000
% Increase over previous year	9.0	11.9	13.5
In process at end of year	6,300	7,800	7,400
Items of service paid	1,499,000	1,744,100	2,049,400
% Increase over previous year	7.8	16.5	17.5
CLAIMS AND ENQUIRIES (OUT-OF-PROVINCE)			
Received from patients	14,100	19,000	21,824
% Increase over previous year	20	35	15
Claims paid	11,800	12,800	15,378
Enquiries and non-payable claims	2,300	6,200	7,680
PATIENT REGISTRATION			
New registrations	24,600	27,200	26,800
Registration updates		51,000	54,000
Card replacements	9,000	15,000	11,000
CLAIMS REJECTIONS			
Edit	21%	21.5%	18.8%
Assessment	14%	14.9%	5.8%

Systems

March 31, 1975 saw the completion of the first full year of operation under a new Optical Character Reader edit program which resulted in a reduction of reject rates to 18.8% from 21.5% the previous year.

Further refinements to the program should result in a reject rate of less than 16% in the coming months.

A new claims assessment program was introduced on schedule on April 30, 1974. Results were beyond expectations as reject rates, after physician, fee and patient history assessment, were reduced from 14.9% to 5.8%.

Audits

The Commission continued its audit program during the year by (a) requesting patient verification of services through a sampling of physicians' claims, (b) reviewing patient histories when patients incur an abnormal number of visits or services within a specified period and (c) preparing detailed information for the Commission and Consultants' Committee when there is any indication of abnormal patterns of practice.

finances

Detailed financial results of the Commission's operations for the year are indicated in the audited financial statements which form part of this report. The national per capita cost for 1974-75 was $64.98 as compared with a preliminary estimate of $68.53. This variance is explained in Note 3 to the financial statements. Newfoundland's per capita cost was $41.36. Expenditure for insured services was $23,235,489, an increase of 15% over 1973-74. Administrative costs increased by 4.6% to $1,019,996 or 4.2% of total expenditure. The approved budget for 1974-75 was $24,336,000, as compared with total expenditure of $24,255,485.

conclusion

Physicians can and do play an important role in attempting to control unnecessary requests for services and the Commission looks forward to their continued assistance in control of over-utilization and over-servicing. Fortunately, the majority of patients use the plan wisely and understand, that while there is no direct charge for medicare services, the plan is intended to cover only **medically** required services.

The Commission wishes to pay special tribute to those members whose terms of office expired during the year. Their contribution to the effective operation of the Medical Care Plan is deeply appreciated. At the same time we welcome members appointed or reappointed during the year and trust they will receive some satisfaction in serving the Commission and the public. The Commission also appreciates the excellent work of its permanent staff during the year. In addition to a full load of routine work, the Negotiating Committee was provided with vast quantities of data in several formats following which, the revised Payment Schedule was implemented. The Commission is quite satisfied with the management of its programs during the year.

DEPARTMENT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL
ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND

To the Chairman and Members,
The Newfoundland Medical Care Commission,
St. John's, Newfoundland.

I have examined the balance sheet of The Newfoundland Medical Care Commission as at 31 March 1975 and the statement of revenue and expenditure for the year then ended. My examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of the accounting records and other supporting evidence as I considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion, these financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Commission as at 31 March 1975 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied, with the exception to which I concur as outlined in Note 2 to these financial statements, on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

St. John's, Newfoundland,
25 July 1975.

D. E. HOWLEY, C.A.
Auditor General

STATEMENT 1

NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

Balance Sheet

As at 31 March 1975

Assets

	1975	1974
Current assets:		
Cash	$ —	$ 828,858
Accounts receivable:		
Canada:		
Estimated holdback receivable	587,048	1,290,000
Estimated portion of contributions receivable relating to unprocessed and unpresented claims	2,241,877	1,786,189
	2,828,925	3,076,189
Due from Province of Newfoundland — Third Party recoveries	18,154	—
Physicians pro-ration receivable	—	9,991
Accrued interest receivable	6,361	—
Due from Province of Newfoundland — Current year operating deficit (Note 2)	1,212,953	360,148
Sundry receivables	1,356	—
Total current assets	4,067,749	4,275,186
Fixed assets:		
Furniture and equipment — at cost	71,290	67,115
Less: Cost expensed in prior years	71,290	67,115
	—	—
Total assets	$4,067,749	$4,275,186

Liabilities and Deficit

Current liabilities:		
Bank overdraft	$ 12,887	$ —
Province of Newfoundland for salaried physician costs	1,179,866	2,031,566
Estimated liability for unprocessed and unpresented claims (Note 1)	2,865,019	2,200,148
Physicians pro-ration payable	—	41,270
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	9,977	2,202
Total liabilities	$4,067,749	$4,275,186

Signed on behalf of the Commission:

VERNE SOMERS
Chairman

ROY MOORES
Executive Director

See accompanying notes.

NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

Statement of Revenue and Expenditure

For the year ended 31 March 1975

Revenue

	1975	1974
Contributions:		
Canada	$18,096,662	$16,053,917
Newfoundland	5,100,000	4,300,000
	23,196,662	20,353,917
Investment income	157,109	51,771
Third party recoveries	39,832	13,834
Miscellaneous	9,077	7,932
	$23,402,680	$20,427,454

Expenditure

Insured Services:		
Physicians:		
Fee-for-service (opted in)	$16,332,204	$13,658,906
Fee-for-service (opted out) and out of province physicians	690,299	867,639
Dental surgery	323,583	278,265
Sessional payments	637,149	358,488
	17,983,235	15,163,298
Salaries paid by Commission	417,886	360,122
Salaries paid by the Province of Newfoundland	4,834,368	4,674,402
	23,235,489	20,197,822
Administration — Statement 3	1,019,996	974,926
	$24,255,485	$21,172,748
Excess of Expenditure over Revenue	852,805	745,294
Less prior years surplus	—	385,146
Amount recoverable from the province (Note 2)	$ 852,805	$ 360,418

See accompanying notes.

STATEMENT 3

NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

Administrative Expenditures

For the year ended 31 March 1975

	1975	1974
Computer costs:		
Claims processing	$ 308,500	$315,998
Redevelopment	26,949	51,206
	335,449	367,204
Salaries	488,010	451,926
Commission fees	9,766	9,714
Office supplies	78,908	35,225
Microfilming	2,480	5,836
Postage and telephone	27,038	24,735
Electricity	1,570	1,496
Furniture and equipment	4,243	4,574
Office rental	52,705	48,536
Leasehold improvements	1,035	823
Travelling	7,481	6,959
Miscellaneous	11,311	17,898
Total Administrative Expenditure carried forward to Statement of Revenue and Expenditure, Statement 2	$1,019,996	$974,926

See accompanying notes.

NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

Notes to Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 1975

Note 1: The estimated liability for unprocessed and unpresented claims is $2,865,019 as at 31 March 1975. This amount consisted of $1,628,319 covering claims received in March 1975 and paid in subsequent months and an estimate of $1,236,700 for physicians' services rendered prior to 31 March 1975 but for which no claims had been submitted at that time.

Note 2: In accordance with Section 3 of The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance (Amendment) Act, 1974, the Commission has changed its policy of accounting for its deficit. This amendment to The Newfoundland Medical Care Insurance Act requires that the Province of Newfoundland be liable for any deficit of the Commission from moneys voted by the legislature. Accordingly, the Commission has recorded an amount of $1,212,953 as recoverable from the Province of Newfoundland. The 1974 comparative figures have been adjusted to reflect this change in financial statement presentation and the previously reported deficit of $360,148 is now shown as recoverable from the Province of Newfoundland.

Note 3: The deficit for 1974-75 is due to the transferring by another province of its diagnostic services costs from the Medical Care Program to the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Program resulting in decreased revenue to Newfoundland of $975,552.

TABLE 1

DISTRIBUTION OF PAYMENTS BY TYPE OF PAYMENT BY SPECIALTY 1974-75

Specialty	Physicians & Dentists	% of Total Physicians	Fee-For-Service Payments	Salaried Payments	Sessional Payments	Total Payments	% Total Payments
Gen. Practice (F/S)	187	28.7	7,178,019	11,328	227,827	7,417,174	33.0
Anaesthesia	49	7.5	935.289	—	186,562	1,121,851	5.0
Dermatology	1	.2	56,818	—	—	56,818	.3
Surgery (General, Plastic & Neuro.)	35	5.4	1,991,141	—	—	1,991,141	8.9
Internal Medicine	29	4.4	1,105,493	—	35,199	1,140,692	5.0
Neurology	6	.9	168,638	—	14,027	182,665	.8
Obstet. & Gynae.	13	2.0	866,927	—	—	866,927	3.9
Ophthalmology	26	4.0	481,725	—	52,900	534,625	2.4
Orthopaedic Surgery	11	1.5	692,987	—	24,774	717,761	3.1
Otolaryngology	4	.6	437,343	—	—	437,343	1.9
Paediatrics	21	3.2	734,270	—	42,030	776,300	3.4
Psychiatry	15	2.4	709,821	—	17,200	727,021	3.2
Urology	5	.8	304,201	—	473	304,674	1.3
Salaried Physicians	250	38.4	339,213	5,080,634	—	5,479,847	24.4
Total Physicians	652	—	16,061,885	5,091,962	600,992	21,754,839	—
Out of Province	—	—	455,101	—	—	455,101	2.0
Dental Surgery	49	—	313,799	—	—	313,799	1.4
Totals			16,830,785	5,091,962	600,992	22,523,739	

ITEMS OF SERVICE BY SPECIALTY BY TYPE OF SERVICE 1974-75
(EXCLUDING SALARIED SERVICES)

	Consul-tations	Office Visits	Home Visits	Hospital Visits	Diagnostic-Therapeutic Procedures	Obstetrics Non-Surgical	Obstetrics Surgical	General Surgery	Dental Surgery	Totals	% of Total
General Practice	1,111	875,795	149,704	119,983	27,919	9,306	1,303	47,694	1,077	1,233,892	60.3
Anaesthesia	145	139	1,069	3,435	5,009	429	2,004	126,242	4,708	143,180	7.0
Dermatology	1,366	1,434	—	3,047	68	—	—	266	—	6,181	0.3
General Surgery	7,750	14,801	2,323	38,765	242	162	323	20,102	—	84,468	4.1
Internal Medicine	6,838	7,874	311	86,405	7,356	—	—	829	—	109,613	5.3
Neurology	2,550	634	—	9,540	702	—	—	68	—	13,494	0.7
Neurosurgery	946	657	—	3,184	16	—	—	539	—	5,342	0.2
Obstet. & Gynae.	6,629	5,371	—	7,159	88	2,876	2,406	4,812	—	29,341	1.4
Ophthalmology	11,852	17,570	—	3,005	—	—	—	968	—	33,395	1.6
Orthopaedic Surgery	4,779	6,198	36	20,740	—	—	—	7,019	—	38,772	1.9
Otolaryngology	7,230	6,489	—	1,561	494	—	—	4,765	—	20,539	1.0
Paediatrics	6,661	17,041	692	51,778	14,792	—	—	172	—	91,136	4.5
Plastic Surgery	848	907	—	1,188	—	—	—	1,483	41	4,467	0.2
Psychiatry	3,774	39,002	529	24,626	2,384	—	—	—	—	70,315	3.4
Urology	880	272	—	8,777	134	—	—	2,872	—	12,935	0.6
Dental Surgery	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	57,517	57,517	2.8
Salaried Physicians	393	37,850	6,543	15,228	1,376	785	197	6,764	131	69,267	3.5
Out of Province	1,609	9,634	332	8,842	1,632	309	158	2,176	854	25,546	1.2
Totals	65,361	1,041,668	161,539	407,263	62,212	13,867	6,391	226,771	64,328	2,049,400	
% of Total	3.2	50.8	7.9	19.9	3.0	0.7	0.3	11.1	3.1		

PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION BY AGE AND SEX OF POPULATION PAYMENTS AND SERVICES 1974-75 (EXCLUDING SALARIED SERVICES)

	MALE			FEMALE		
	% POPULATION	% PAYMENTS	% SERVICES	% POPULATION	% PAYMENTS	% SERVICES
Under 1 yr.	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.1	1.0	1.1
1 - 4	4.8	4.6	5.4	4.7	3.7	4.5
5 - 9	6.6	3.4	3.8	6.3	3.0	3.2
10 - 14	6.4	2.8	2.8	6.1	2.5	2.7
15 - 19	5.8	2.8	2.8	5.6	4.8	5.0
20 - 24	4.2	2.9	3.0	4.3	7.4	7.1
25 - 29	3.4	2.5	2.6	3.3	7.3	6.5
30 - 34	2.7	2.1	2.1	2.6	5.1	4.4
35 - 39	2.5	1.9	1.9	2.3	3.9	3.4
40 - 44	2.4	2.0	1.9	2.2	3.3	3.0
45 - 49	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.1	3.1	2.8
50 - 54	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.0	2.8	2.7
55 - 59	2.0	2.7	2.5	1.8	2.5	2.5
60 - 64	1.5	2.5	2.3	1.4	2.5	2.5
65 - 69	1.1	1.9	1.8	1.1	1.8	1.9
70 - 74	0.8	1.4	1.4	0.9	1.5	1.6
75 - 79	0.6	1.0	1.2	0.6	1.2	1.3
80 - 84	0.3	0.6	0.8	0.4	0.8	0.9
85 and Over	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.5
	51.0	41.3	42.4	49.0	58.7	57.6

VOLUME OF PATIENTS BY AGE GROUP
BY NUMBER OF SERVICES 1974-75 (EXCLUDING SALARIED SERVICES)

	RANGE OF SERVICES								
Age Groups	**1 - 5**	**6 - 10**	**11 - 15**	**16 - 20**	**21 - 25**	**26 - 30**	**Over 30**	**Totals**	**% of Total**
Under 1 yr.	573	6	2	—	—	—	—	581	0.2
1 - 4	21,829	6,758	2,000	560	202	37	8	31,394	10.4
5 - 9	25,010	4,368	881	227	44	9	7	30,546	10.1
10 - 14	23,976	2,880	543	152	44	10	—	27,605	9.2
15 - 19	25,076	4,075	968	301	93	36	8	30,557	10.1
20 - 24	24,822	5,849	1,882	633	194	72	19	33,471	11.1
25 - 29	20,266	5,373	1,714	620	219	80	13	28,285	9.4
30 - 34	14,570	3,803	1,182	420	167	48	17	20,207	6.7
35 - 39	11,060	2,907	905	342	108	50	9	15,381	5.1
40 - 44	9,532	2,548	878	293	104	43	10	13,408	4.5
45 - 49	8,984	2,634	865	306	107	31	11	12,938	4.3
50 - 54	8,047	2,440	840	296	114	40	7	11,784	3.9
55 - 59	7,725	2,522	894	367	108	36	16	11,668	3.9
60 - 64	6,698	2,443	915	320	114	43	12	10,545	3.5
65 - 69	4,839	1,882	701	267	100	21	12	7,822	2.6
70 - 74	3,502	1,401	516	182	98	22	8	5,729	1.9
75 - 79	2,552	1,110	412	153	66	24	8	4,325	1.4
80 - 84	1,725	687	296	93	41	16	9	2,867	1.0
85 and Over	1,221	475	183	93	24	5	3	2,004	0.7
Totals	222,007	54,161	16,577	5,625	1,947	623	177	301,117	
% of Total	73.7	18.0	5.5	1.9	0.6	0.2	0.1		

VOLUME OF PATIENTS BY AGE GROUP BY SIZE OF PAYMENT 1974-75 (EXCLUDING SALARIED SERVICES)

TABLE 5

Age Groups	Up to $10.00	$10.01 to $25.00	$25.01 to $50.00	$50.01 to $100.00	$100.01 to $200.00	$200.01 to $500.00	$500.01 to $1,000.00	Over $1,000	Totals	% of Total
Under 1 yr.	223	98	169	69	14	6	2	—	581	0.2
1 - 4	7,894	8,337	7,368	5,033	2,082	600	69	11	31,394	10.4
5 - 9	10,306	8,914	5,800	3,572	1,554	368	23	9	30,546	10.1
10 - 14	10,616	8,600	4,608	2,384	1,075	296	20	6	27,605	9.2
15 - 19	10,984	9,149	5,154	2,893	1,755	578	41	3	30,557	10.1
20 - 24	10,258	9,172	6,025	3,759	3,132	1,082	38	5	33,471	11.1
25 - 29	8,143	7,413	4,967	3,276	3,050	1,371	57	8	28,285	9.4
30 - 34	5,745	5,281	3,581	2,407	2,005	1,139	47	2	20,207	6.7
35 - 39	4,273	4,144	2,835	1,865	1,332	883	43	6	15,381	5.1
40 - 44	3,480	3,659	2,567	1,734	1,102	794	59	13	13,408	4.5
45 - 49	3,090	3,603	2,649	1,723	1,007	800	58	8	12,938	4.3
50 - 54	2,616	3,305	2,530	1,657	965	628	70	13	11,784	3.9
55 - 59	2,449	3,206	2,494	1,736	950	711	102	20	11,668	3.9
60 - 64	2,138	2,773	2,311	1,602	871	714	121	15	10,545	3.5
65 - 69	1,506	1,981	1,772	1,188	688	573	100	14	7,822	2.6
70 - 74	1,009	1,451	1,290	864	537	497	72	9	5,729	1.9
75 - 79	758	1,043	966	678	419	407	49	5	4,325	1.4
80 - 84	486	684	626	460	300	272	39	—	2,867	1.0
85 and Over	325	444	416	361	224	211	23	—	2,004	0.7
Totals	86,299	83,257	58,128	37,261	23,062	11,930	1,033	147	301,117	
% of Total	28.7	27.6	19.3	12.4	7.7	4.0	0.3			

AVERAGE GROSS PAYMENTS TO OR IN RESPECT OF PHYSICIANS (EXCLUDING SALARIED PHYSICIANS)

	FULL TIME PHYSICIANS 1974-75		FULL TIME PHYSICIANS 1973-74		PHYSICIANS OVER $10,000 1974-75		PHYSICIANS OVER $10,000 1973-74		ALL PHYSICIANS 1974-75		ALL PHYSICIANS 1973-74	
General Practice	(100)	56,604	(106)	52,131	(152)	47,491	(131)	47,169	(187)	39,222	(171)	36,615
St. John's	(35)	51,958	(36)	48,954	(51)	43,213	(45)	43,024	(67)	33,437	(61)	32,407
Corner Brook	(14)	56,807	(14)	52,633	(16)	53,128	(18)	48,404	(18)	47,381	(19)	45,868
Grand Falls	(8)	66,438	(6)	63,755	(11)	58,966	(7)	60,979	(12)	54,094	(7)	60,979
Carbonear	(2)	71,294	(4)	48,595	(3)	55,830	(4)	48,595	(8)	24,549	(5)	40,553
Labrador City-Wabush	(3)	55,522	(4)	53,490	(5)	43,249	(4)	53,490	(5)	43,249	(6)	36,728
Other Districts	(38)	57,998	(42)	53,235	(66)	47,461	(53)	47,521	(77)	41,295	(73)	35,107
Anaesthesia	(12)	53,153	(16)	53,160	(23)	41,421	(24)	43,769	(33)	29,931	(37)	29,792
Medical Specialists	(36)	63,545	(36)	60,784	(58)	48,309	(60)	45,152	(72)	39,830	(74)	37,132
Dermatology	(1)	56,818	(1)	61,252	(1)	56,818	(2)	42,569	(1)	56,818	(3)	30,116
Internal Medicine	(15)	58,609	(14)	54,690	(24)	45,719	(23)	40,342	(29)	38,567	(29)	32,686
Neurology	(2)	59,370	(2)	52,762	(4)	43,214	(5)	21,478	(6)	30,444	(7)	25,331
Paediatrics	(9)	66,383	(11)	58,165	(16)	47,359	(16)	47,828	(21)	37,277	(19)	40,466
Psychiatry	(9)	70,610	(8)	76,997	(13)	55,171	(14)	54,351	(15)	48,648	(16)	47,706
Surgical Specialists	(56)	79,827	(53)	70,510	(72)	66,506	(68)	60,419	(77)	62,621	(80)	51,797
Surgery (including Plastic & Neuro.)	(24)	74,328	(26)	65,132	(33)	60,263	(32)	57,112	(35)	57,525	(36)	50,897
Obstetrics & Gynae.	(10)	82,010	(9)	67,577	(12)	72,178	(12)	57,265	(13)	66,686	(16)	43,689
Ophthalmology	(5)	85,194	(5)	73,577	(9)	53,525	(8)	50,800	(9)	53,525	(8)	50,800
Otolaryngology	(3)	145,717	(2)	130,382	(3)	145,717	(3)	106,337	(4)	109,335	(4)	80,203
Orthopaedic Surgery	(10)	71,007	(8)	75,567	(10)	71,007	(10)	66,610	(11)	65,251	(12)	56,473
Urology	(4)	73,290	(3)	67,409	(5)	60,934	(3)	67,409	(5)	60,934	(4)	51,896
All Specialists	(104)	75,921	(105)	64,532	(153)	55,977	(152)	51,764	(182)	47,677	(191)	41,852
All Physicians	(204)	66,452	(211)	58,330	(305)	51,748	(283)	49,573	(369)	43,393	(362)	39,378

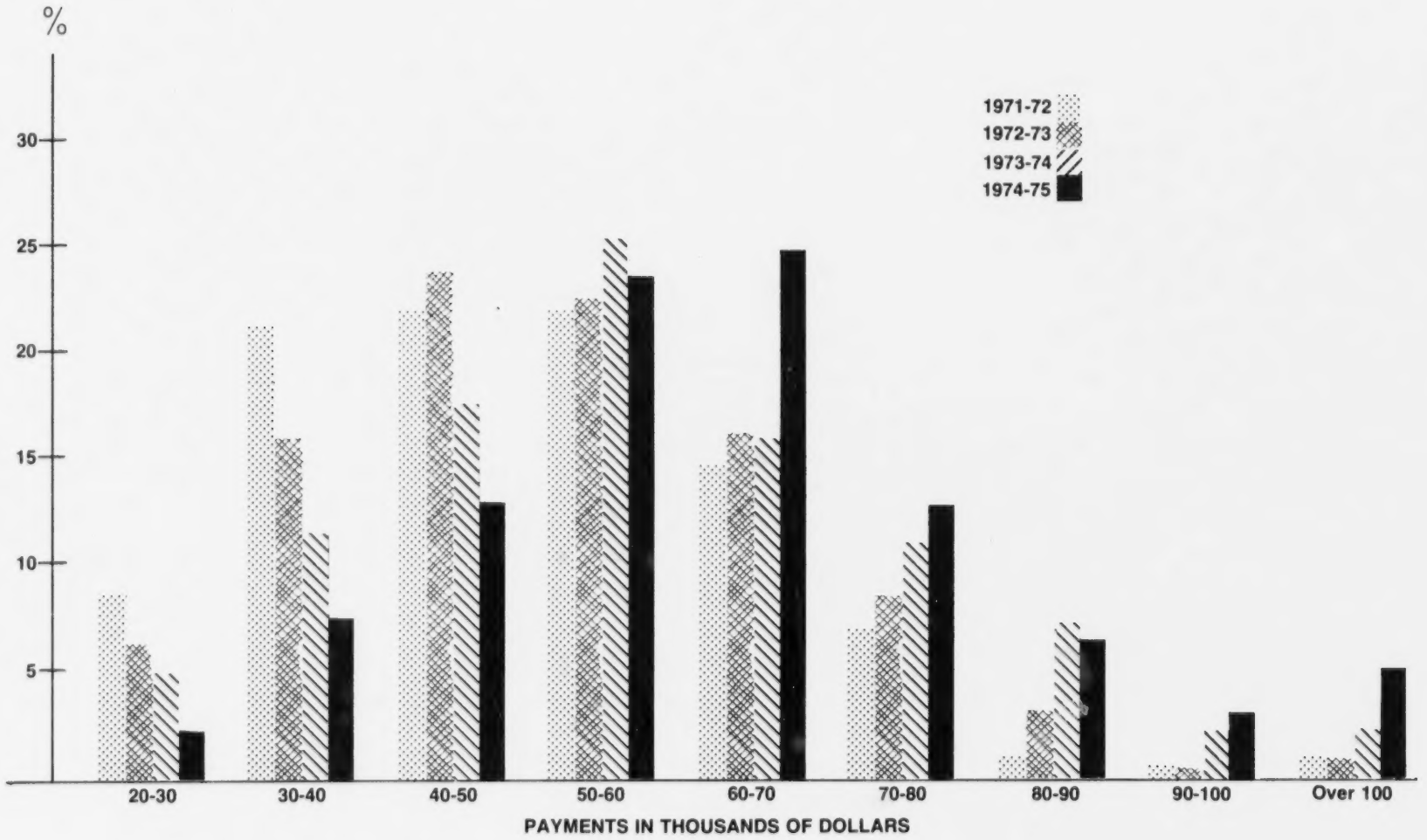
(Bracketed figures represent numbers of physicians)

CLASSIFICATION OF PAYMENTS TO OR IN RESPECT OF PHYSICIANS (EXCLUDING SALARIED PHYSICIANS)

TABLE 7

NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION GROSS PAYMENTS APRIL 1974 — MARCH 1975 FULL TIME PHYSICIANS	ANAESTHESIA	DERMATOLOGY	SURGERY (GENERAL, PLASTIC & NEUROSURG.)	INTERNAL MEDICINE	NEUROLOGY	OBSTETRICS AND GYNAECOLOGY	OPHTHALMOLOGY	OTOLARYNGOLOGY	ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY	PAEDIATRICS	PSYCHIATRY	UROLOGY	SUB-TOTALS	GENERAL PRACTICE	TOTALS	% OF TOTAL
$10,000 - 20,000																
20,001 - 30,000														4	4	2.0
30,001 - 40,000	2		3	2						1			8	8	16	7.9
40,001 - 50,000	2		1	4						1	1		9	18	27	13.2
50,001 - 60,000	6	1	2	2	1				2	2	1		17	30	47	23.0
60,001 - 70,000	2		7	5	1	3	1		1	1	3	2	26	25	51	25.0
70,001 - 80,000			4	1		3			6	2	3		19	8	27	13.2
80,001 - 90,000			2			2	1		1	1	1	2	10	4	14	6.9
90,001 - 100,000			2				3						5	2	7	3.4
Over 100,000			3	1		2		3		1			10	1	11	5.4
TOTALS	12	1	24	15	2	10	5	3	10	9	9	4	104	100	204	

PERCENTAGE OF PHYSICIANS WITHIN PAYMENT RANGES



PHYSICIANS AND DENTISTS IN NEWFOUNDLAND 31 DECEMBER 1974

TABLE 9

DISTRICT	PRIVATE PRACTICE	SALARY	UNIVERSITY	RADIOLOGY	PATHOLOGY	ADMINIS-TRATION	TOTAL PHYSICIANS	DENTISTS
BAIE VERTE	x	6	x	x	x	x	6	2
BAY DE VERDE	1	x	x	x	x	x	1	x
BELL ISLAND	x	2	x	x	x	x	2	1
BONAVISTA	1	6	x	x	x	x	7	x
BONNE BAY	x	4	x	x	x	x	4	x
BOTWOOD	x	4	x	x	x	x	4	x
BROOKFIELD	x	4	x	x	x	x	4	1
BURGEO	x	3	x	x	x	x	3	x
BURIN	3	4	x	x	x	x	7	1
CARBONEAR	12	x	x	x	x	x	12	2
CHANNEL	2	6	x	x	x	x	8	1
COME BY CHANCE	3	5	x	x	x	x	8	2
FERRYLAND	1	1	x	x	x	x	2	1
FOGO	x	2	x	x	x	x	2	x
GANDER	14	13	x	1	1	x	29	4
GRAND BANK	x	4	x	x	x	x	4	1
GRAND FALLS	23	1	x	2	1	x	27	7
HARBOUR BRETON	x	6	x	x	x	x	6	x
HARBOUR GRACE	5	x	x	x	x	x	5	1
HARBOUR MAIN	13	x	x	x	x	x	13	x
HUMBER	38	5	x	2	2	x	47	3
I.G.A. NEWFOUNDLAND	x	19	x	x	1	x	20	2
I.G.A. LABRADOR	x	7	x	x	x	x	7	3
LABRADOR	10	x	x	x	x	x	10	2
MARKLAND	x	3	x	x	x	x	3	2
OLD PERLICAN	1	4	x	x	x	x	5	x
PLACENTIA	x	4	x	x	x	x	4	2
PORT DE GRAVE	9	x	x	x	x	x	9	1
SPRINGDALE	x	5	x	x	x	x	5	2
STEPHENVILLE	4	13	x	x	x	x	17	3
ST. JOHN'S	201	17	30	11	8	16	283	27
ST. LAWRENCE	x	3	x	x	x	x	3	x
ST. MARY'S	x	2	x	x	x	x	2	x
TRINITY	x	1	x	x	x	x	1	x
TWILLINGATE	x	6	x	x	x	x	6	x
TOTALS	341	160	30	16	13	16	576	71

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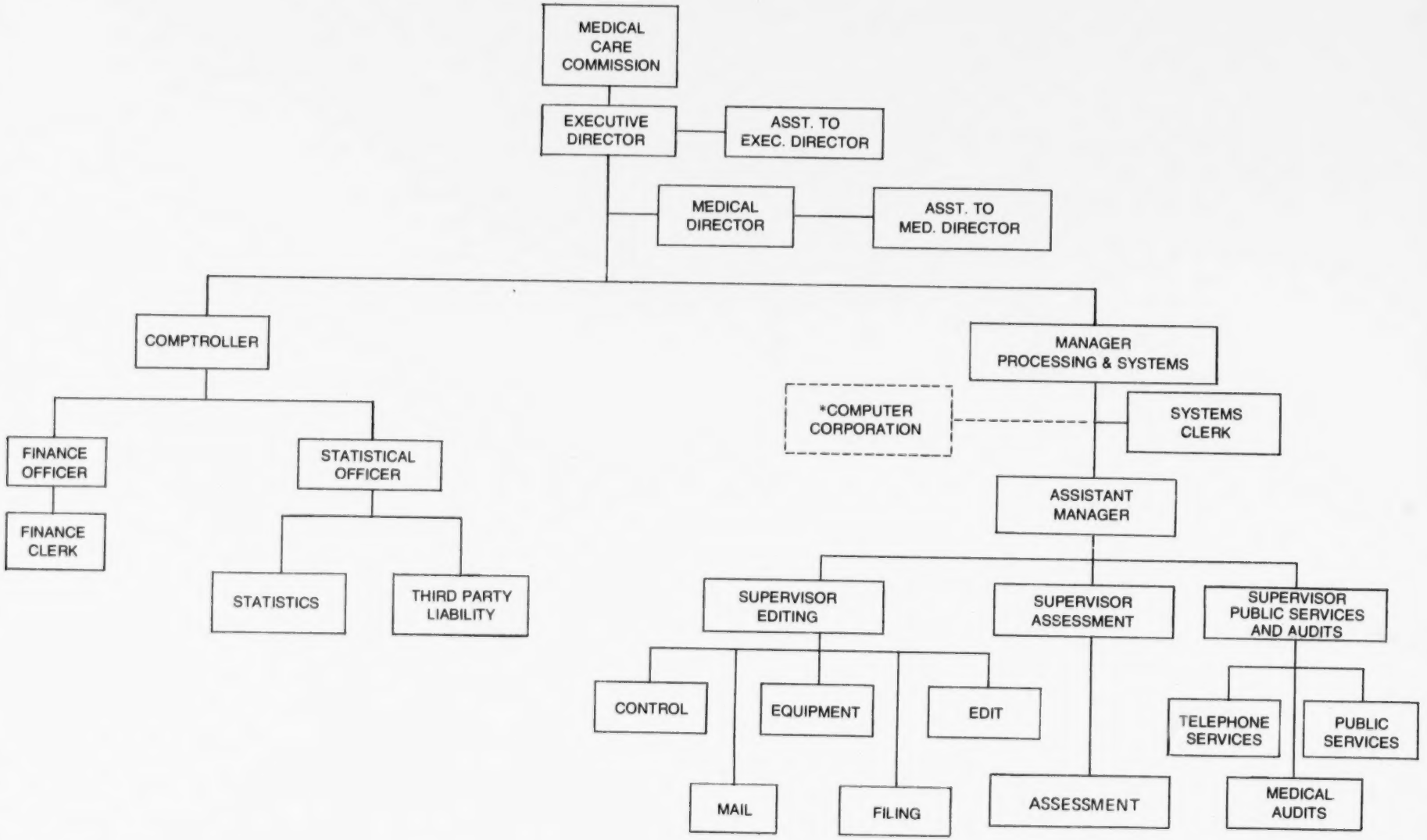
NEWFOUNDLAND MEDICAL CARE COMMISSION

APPENDIX



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